

Budget Unit Brief

FY 2017



Early Head Start Projects

Program Overview

This General Fund appropriation is used for the implementation and expansion of Early Head Start pilot projects addressing the comprehensive cognitive, social, emotional, and developmental needs of children from birth to three years old, including prenatal support for qualified families. The projects must promote healthy prenatal outcomes and healthy family functioning, and strengthen the development of infants and toddlers in low-income families. Priority is given to organizations that have previously qualified for and received state funding to administer an Early Head Start project.

Funding

Early Head Start Projects receives a \$600,000 General Fund appropriation. In FY 2008, the Department of Education received a \$400,000 General Fund appropriation for transfer to the Department of Human Services for Early Head Start Projects to replace expired federal funding. Head Start is also supported with federal funds. Grantees of federal Head Start funding must match 25.0% of the funds received with local and state (nonfederal) sources.

Related Administrative Rule

[281](#) Iowa Administrative Code

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More Information

Iowa Department of Education: <http://educateiowa.gov/>

Early Head Start: <https://www.educateiowa.gov/pk-12/early-childhood/head-start>

Iowa General Assembly: <http://www.legis.iowa.gov/index.aspx>

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